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TRESPASS AND CLAIMS REPORT - 1965

This report is a summary of the 1965 activities of the Trespass and Claims Branch and includes Forest activities as reflected by trespass reports, case summaries and law enforcement reports covering all functions. The principal items in the report continue to be in the fire field.

This branch with its present staff has now been operating for over a year. All investigators are qualified to conduct investigations in any function and we plan to dispatch the nearest field investigator to an incident, regardless of the function, and to provide followup assistance from the Regional Office as needed.

Mr. Jesse Farr, the Regional Attorney, and his staff in San Francisco and Los Angeles have rendered immeasurable assistance to this branch. Our working relationship is excellent. We wish to extend to them our appreciation for the many complex decisions they have helped us with during the past year.

Litigation on behalf of and against the Forest Service, handled by the offices of the United States Attorneys in San Francisco, Sacramento and Los Angeles, has continued to increase with demands being made upon the time of our investigators in developing these cases for trial.

Investigator Longacre is presently furnishing assistance to U. S. Attorneys in Los Angeles, and Investigator Adams is doing the same in the San Francisco and Sacramento offices.

In this litigation work we continue to enjoy excellent cooperation and assistance from county district attorneys, sheriffs and police departments throughout the Region.

Laboratory assistance by the Bureau of Criminal Investigations and Identification has been of material help in the development of some of our criminal cases. The Bureau's Record Unit has furnished detailed records on suspects and offenders, including suspect photos that we have used for witness identification. These units deserve our thanks for their cooperation and assistance.

We have worked with the State Division of Forestry on several incendiary fires this past year. We have excellent working relationships with their District Fire Prevention Officers and their Headquarters personnel in Sacramento. We wish to express our appreciation and thanks for their cooperation.

As reported for 1964, we are still deeply involved in defending and prosecuting fire, timber and tort cases, both civil and criminal, resulting in ever increasing demands for assistance from this branch.

We will continue to respond to emergency requests for assistance from the Forests, depending on our workload. We look to the fire control officers on the Forests to be responsible for initial investigation and preservation of evidence and the points of origin of fires, until we can dispatch the required assistance.

ACTIVITIES FOR 1965

Training

The 1965 program of training offered to the Forests covered four classifications:

1. Timber Trespass
2. Fire Trespass
3. Claims and Traffic Accidents
4. Presentation of Violations to the U. S. Commissioners

Topics covered included investigation, applicable laws, and trespass report writing. The new instructions on use of U. S. Commissioners and the revised "Notice to Appear in Court" were of primary interest to all Forests in their training program this past year. Thirteen Forests requested training and 362 Forest Officers participated in the courses.

Fire Trespass

Total fires in 1965 were down 26% compared to 1964, but were 5% over the Regional par of 711 fires. Nineteen hundred and sixty-five will be recorded as one of the lightest fire seasons ever experienced in Region 5, both in total numbers of man-caused fires and in burned area, which was held to 9,825 acres.

All of this success cannot be laid at the door of favorable weather. During the last half of September, California was hit by extremely dry, northeast winds of gale force in many areas. During the critical period, when all burning permits and open fires were suspended by order of the State Forester, all Forests made contact with Forest users including deer hunters, and all fires were put out and the hunters moved into designated campgrounds. As a result of this prevention effort, fire starts were held to 82 and burned area to 42 acres. During this period, major fires were burning thousands of acres on State protected lands, the State being hit by many explosive fire starts in one day.

Numerous instances of cooperation by the public and lumber companies have been reported, and show the effort of all concerned in protecting the timberlands from devastation during the critical period.

The public's cooperation is reflected in the minimum number of citations that had to be issued for violation of the State fire use closure orders.

The exhibits will show that the local user causes most of the fires.

During 1965 the total number of incendiary fires decreased. The most serious potential incendiary outbreak occurred on the Cleveland Forest. Approximately one week was spent trying to apprehend the incendiary. The principal suspect was picked up by the Regional investigators with the help of the District personnel of the Forest. The case was turned over to the local district attorney and he refused to prosecute on the basis that the suspect was mentally retarded. It is interesting to note that there were no further incendiary fires on the Cleveland after that.

Timber Trespass

During 1965 this branch has worked to reduce the backlog of old trespass cases, with some success. Some of these cases lack facts necessary either to make successful collection possible or to be able to get them to trial. In cooperation with the Regional Attorney we have been able to close some of them. Further investigation has enabled us to collect damages on several of the old cases.

Our goal for 1966 is to get all of the older cases cleared and to concentrate on current cases so that collection or court action can be completed while all witnesses are available for testimony.

Sixteen cases have been closed in 1965 by court action, Department of Justice compromises, payments by trespassers and receivers, or by transfer to the uncollectible register.

I am pleased to report that the Edward Bannister-Delbert Beam timber theft and tree poisoning case was concluded in 1965. Both defendants had been indicted by the Federal grand jury on four felony counts. Following their arraignment and pleas of not guilty, their attorneys advised them to plead guilty to the four overt acts in the one count of conspiracy, since they could conceivably be convicted on any one or all of the four felony counts. The defendants changed their plea to guilty on the conspiracy count and the other felony counts were dropped by the Government.

District Judge Sherill Halbert made the following statement at the time of their sentencing, "This is the most reprehensible timber theft case ever brought before this court.....killing God's trees and converting them to your own personal gain."

Judge Halbert denied the defendants' requests for probation and ordered a five year jail sentence for each, six months to be served in a penal institution and the balance of the sentence suspended. He ordered five years probation upon completion of their sentences, fined each of them $2,500, and ordered them to make restitution to the Forest Service. Beam's sentence was subsequently reduced to one year in prison and to the time already served. He was released some months ahead of Bannister. Civil action to recover the costs of the timber and damages against Bannister, Beam and four co-conspiritors is being processed at this time.

We have had requests for assistance in investigating Christmas tree thefts on the Plumas, Tahoe, and Eldorado National Forests. This has resulted in Federal felony indictments in two cases and continued investigation in one. We expect to bring this case before the Grand Jury before next season.

Claims for Damage

During 1965, 265 claims cases were handled, including 95 cases under the Tort Claims Act, 95 under the various non-negligence acts, and 75 collection cases against private parties for damage done to Forest Service vehicles and property.

There were 215 vehicle accidents reviewed by this Branch with 29.9% of them resulting in claims being filed against the Government for personal injury and/or property damage, and 29.9% resulting in claims being filed by the Forest Service against private parties.

Of the 265 cases, 174 claims arose out of vehicle and heavy equipment accidents, including 64 claims against the Government under the Tort Claims Act, 48 claims against the Government under the non-negligence acts and 64 claims by the Government against private parties.

During 1965, claims paid by the Government totaled $31,884.55; claims denied totaled $17,773.37. We recovered $18,441.07 from private parties for damage to Forest Service vehicles and property.

The volume of cases and the amounts involved indicate the continuing need for prompt and complete investigation and reporting of claims and accident cases.

Tort Claims now in litigation total $1,106,295.63. These suits include five for a total of $703,581.67 for the accidental drowning of three high school students at a school outing in the Stanislaus National Forest and injury to two others; two for a total of $252,600 for injuries and death caused by a tree falling on a house trailer on the Tahoe National Forest; one for $100,000 for injuries sustained

when a truck ran off a road on the Los Padres National Forest; one for $25,000 for damage to a helicopter on the Angeles National Forest; one for $25,000 for injuries sustained in a vehicle accident on the Angeles National Forest; and one for $113.96 for damage to a vehicle in an accident on the Los Padres National Forest.

The Government was sued for $70,000 as a result of a fire, claimed by the plaintiff to have been caused by Inyo Forest Officers burning a small dump. The court rendered a verdict in favor of the Government. This decision was appealed by the plaintiff but was upheld by the appellate court. No further appeals have been made.

In the Christine Van Der Veen suit against the Government for $750,000 for injuries received while snow tobogganing on National Forest land, the court ruled in favor of the Government. This decision was appealed and the appellate court also ruled in favor of the Government.

In both cases the investigations and the testimony of Forest officers were instrumental in the decisions reached.

During 1965, as in prior years, most tort claims arose out of accidents with Forest Service vehicles.

A claim was made for damage to a helicopter main rotor struck by a rock thrown by a Forest Service fire crewman on the Six Rivers National Forest. The crewman, disappointed by being called out on a false alarm, picked up a rock and threw it into the air. It came down on the rotor blade. It was determined that the damage was related to the man's employment because it brought him to the place where the incident occurred, and the act of throwing the rock was in response to frustration brought on by the job. The claim was paid.

A Forest Service horse on the Angeles National Forest wandered out of his pasture into a highway and was struck by a car. The horse was killed and the claim for the cost to repair the damaged car was paid.

The lawsuits against the Forest Service arising out of the airplane crash on the Stanislaus National Forest, caused by a State employee incorrectly attaching a small cargo parachute to a package, were dismissed when the claimants recovered from other defendants in the State court action.

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CHART 1

MAN CAUSED FIRES

FOREST	EQUIPMENT	SMOKER	RECREATION	FOREST UTILITY	LAND OCCUPANCY	INCENDIARY	MISCELLANEOUS	TOTAL ON FOREST
ANGELES	5	14	5	0	3	6	6	39
CLEVELAND	7	10	5	0	9	15	4	50
ELDORADO	2	19	8	0	11	0	3	43
INYO	3	3	10	0	3	1	2	22
KLAMATH	12	6	3	7	11	0	3	42
LASSEN	1	13	6	1	6	0	3	30
LOS PADRES	5	13	4	0	3	6	5	36
MENDOCINO	7	9	4	2	1	1	2	26
MODOC	3	7	2	0	0	0	0	12
PLUMAS	15	16	4	1	9	3	6	54
SAN BERNARDINO	15	22	16	0	8	5	14	80
SEQUOIA	0	16	10	0	1	0	0	27
SHASTA-TRINITY	34	40	6	5	19	0	18	122
SIERRA	2	16	9	0	8	2	5	42
SIX RIVERS	4	9	1	4	10	3	8	39
STANISLAUS	2	17	6	0	6	3	2	36
TAHOE	7	12	9	0	9	3	5	45
TOTAL	124	242	108	20	117	48	86	745

CHART 2

EQUIPMENT FIRES

FOREST	LAND USE									SPECIFIC CAUSE						TOTAL ON FOREST
	AGRICULTURE	TIMBER	HARVEST OTHER PRODUCTS	FOREST & R.M.	HIGHWAY	INDUSTRY	POWER AND RECLAMATION	RAILROAD	OTHER	AIRCRAFT	BREAKSHOE	BURNING VEHICLES	EXHAUST	LOGGING LINE	OTHER	
ANGELES					2				3	3		2				5
CLEVELAND					6				1	1	1	3	1		1	7
ELDORADO		1					1				1		1			2
INYO					1		1		1	1			1		1	3
KLAMATH							1	11			8		4			12
LASSEN								1					1			1
LOS PADRES					2			1	2			2	3			5
MENDOCINO		2	1	1					3	1		1	5			7
MODOC								3			1		2			3
PLUMAS		1					1	13			1		14			15
SAN BERNARDINO			1		6	1	1	5	1	1		5	7		2	15
SEQUOIA																0
SHASTA-TRINITY		6		1	2			25			16	2	9	2	5	34
SIERRA		2											1		1	2
SIX RIVERS		2			2							2	1	1		4
STANISLAUS		1							1			1	1			2
TAHOE		1	1					4	1		2	1	4			7
TOTAL		16	3	2	21	1	5	63	13	7	30	19	55	3	10	124

SMOKER FIRES

FOREST	LAND USE									TOTAL ON FOREST
	AGRICULTURE	TIMBER	HARVEST OTHER PRODUCTS	FOREST & R.M.	HIGHWAY	POWER AND RECLAMATION	RECREATION	HUNT & FISH	OTHER	
ANGELES					6		6	1	1	14
CLEVELAND	2				3		5			10
ELDORADO						1	9	7	2	19
INYO							1	2		3
KLAMATH					2			4		6
LASSEN				1			1	9	2	13
LOS PADRES	1				3	1	4	3	1	13
MENDOCINO		1						8		9
MODOC					1			6		7
PLUMAS			1	1	1		1	7	5	16
SAN BERNARDINO					5		12	2	3	22
SEQUOIA							4	12		16
SHASTA-TRINITY				1	3	1	12	13	10	40
SIERRA					1		8	5	2	16
SIX RIVERS				1			4	3	1	9
STANISLAUS					1		4	11	1	17
TAHOE					1		9		2	12
TOTAL	3	1	1	4	27	3	80	93	30	242

CHART 4

RECREATION FIRES

FOREST	LAND USE			SPECIFIC CAUSE								TOTAL ON FOREST
	RESIDENT	RECREATION	HUNT & FISH	BURNING BUILDING	COOKING FIRE	FIREWORKS	HOT ASHES	OTHER	REFUSE BURNING	WARMING FIRE	TRACER BULLET	
ANGELES	1	3	1	1		1	1	1			1	5
CLEVELAND		5			2			1		2		5
ELDORADO		7	1		3		1			3	1	8
INYO	2	3	5	2	2			1		5		10
KLAMATH		1	2		3							3
LASSEN		2	4		2	1		1		2		6
LOS PADRES		3	1		1				1	1	1	4
MENDOCINO		1	3		1			2		1		4
MODOC			2		1					1		2
PLUMAS		1	3		3			1				4
SAN BERNARDINO	2	12	2	2	4	4	3	2			1	16
SEQUOIA		3	7	1	3			1		5		10
SHASTA-TRINITY		1	5	1	2		1			2		6
SIERRA	2	4	3	2	3	1	2			1		9
SIX RIVERS		1					1					1
STANISLAUS		3	3		2	1			1	1	1	6
TAHOE	1		8	1	1		1			6		9
TOTAL	8	50	50	10	33	8	10	10	2	30	5	108

CHART 5

FOREST UTILIZATION FIRES

FOREST	LAND USE			SPECIFIC CAUSE				TOTAL ON FOREST
	TIMBER	HARVEST OTHER PRODUCTS	FOREST & R.M.	BURNING RIGHT OF WAY	SLASH BURNING	WARMING FIRE	OTHER	
ANGELES								0
CLEVELAND								0
ELDORADO								0
INYO								0
KLAMATH	5	1	1	1	3	1	2	7
LASSEN			1		1			1
LOS PADRES								0
MENDOCINO	1		1		2			2
MODOC								0
PLUMAS			1		1			1
SAN BERNARDINO								0
SEQUOIA								0
SHASTA-TRINITY	4		1	1	4			5
SIERRA								0
SIX RIVERS	3		1		4			4
STANISLAUS								0
TAHOE								0
TOTAL	13	1	6	2	15	1	2	20

CHART 6

LAND OCCUPANCY FIRES

FOREST	LAND USE							SPECIFIC CAUSE																	TOTAL ON FOREST
	AGRICULTURE	HIGHWAY	INDUSTRY	POWER AND RECLAMATION	RAILROAD	RESIDENT	OTHER	BLASTING	BURNING BUILDING	BURNING RIGHT OF WAY	COOKING FIRE	FUSEE	HOT ASHES	HOUSE & STOVE FLUE SPARKS	LAND CLEARING	MILL WASTE	POWERLINE	RANGE BURNING	REFUSE BURNING	SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION	WARMING FIRE	OTHER	MEADOW BURNING	
ANGELES			1	1		1					1											2		3
CLEVELAND			1	1		7		1	4				1	1			1					1		9
ELDORADO				5		6			6					2	1		1		1					11
INYO	1			1		1			1					1			1							3
KLAMATH	2	2				7			5	2							1			1		1	1	11
LASSEN						6			3						1				2					6
LOS PADRES	1	1				1			1													2		3
MENDOCINO		1											1											1
MODOC																								0
PLUMAS			1	3		5			3							1	3		2					9
SAN BERNARDINO		1	1	1	1	3	1		3	1		1					1		1			1		8
SEQUOIA			1																1					1
SHASTA-TRINITY		3		5	2	9			1	2		1			1		2		7		1	4		19
SIERRA		1	1	2		4				2					1		1		2			2		8
SIX RIVERS				1		5	4		3								1		3	1		2		10
STANISLAUS				1		4	1		3				1	1								1		6
TAHOE			2	1		4	2		1						2	2	1		2			1		9
TOTAL	4	9	8	22	3	63	8	1	34	7	1	2	3	5	6	3	13	0	21	2	1	17	1	117

CHART 7

INCENDIARY FIRES

FOREST	SPECIFIC CAUSE			TOTAL ON FOREST
	GRUDGE	PYROMANIA	OTHER	
ANGELES	1	4	1	6
CLEVELAND	1	14		15
ELDORADO				0
INYO			1	1
KLAMATH				0
LASSEN				0
LOS PADRES	2	3	1	6
MENDOCINO			1	1
MODOC				0
PLUMAS		1	2	3
SAN BERNARDINO		5		5
SEQUOIA				0
SHASTA-TRINITY				0
SIERRA		1	1	2
SIX RIVERS		2	1	3
STANISLAUS		1	2	3
TAHOE	1		2	3
TOTAL	5	31	12	48

CHART 8

MISCELLANEOUS FIRES

FOREST	LAND USE			SPECIFIC CAUSE			TOTAL ON FOREST
	RESIDENT	RECREATION	OTHER	SMOKING BEES	PLAYING WITH MATCHES	OTHER	
ANGELES	4	2			5	1	6
CLEVELAND	3	1			4		4
ELDORADO	2		1		2	1	3
INYO	1		1		2		2
KLAMATH	2		1		1	2	3
LASSEN	1		2		1	2	3
LOS PADRES	4	1			5		5
MENDOCINO			2			2	2
MODOC							0
PLUMAS	4	1	1	1	4	1	6
SAN BERNARDINO	9	5			14		14
SEQUOIA							0
SHASTA-TRINITY	14	1	3		14	4	18
SIERRA	4	1			5		5
SIX RIVERS	8				8		8
STANISLAUS	2				1	1	2
TAHOE	4		1		4	1	5
TOTAL	62	12	12	1	70	15	86

CHART 9

FIRE TRESPASS

BILLINGS AND COLLECTIONS

FOREST	CASES BILLED		CASES COLLECTED		CASES OPEN 12/31/65	
	NO.	AMOUNT	NO.	AMOUNT	NO.	AMOUNT
ANGELES	7	$307,976	5	$ 795	13	$ 831,899
CLEVELAND	6	4,222	5	7,113	3	3,337
ELDORADO	3	1,614	3	1,614	6	3,253,230
INYO	3	315	3	248	0	0
KLAMATH	21	39,348	30	42,069	4	92,268
LASSEN	19	55,012	15	25,207	6	40,043
LOS PADRES	6	1,568	7	3,436	5	141,651
MENDOCINO	5	2,699	0	0	5	36,828
MODOC	5	8,560	6	6,323	1	2,366
PLUMAS	45	40,366	42	29,393	16	25,704
SAN BERNARDINO	2	11,434	2	1,463	6	233,694
SEQUOIA	4	1,939	2	1,855	0	0
SHASTA-TRINITY	133	53,865	91	23,464	58	52,852
SIERRA	2	88	8	178,096	2	35,252
SIX RIVERS	7	2,050	4	2,113	7	65,455
STANISLAUS	5	3,780	4	4,086	4	6,064
TAHOE	12	3,541	21	8,311	8	7,347,085
TOTAL	285	$538,377	248	$335,586	144	$12,167,728

CHART 10

TIMBER TRESPASS

BILLING AND COLLECTIONS

FOREST	CASES BILLED		CASES COLLECTED		CASES OPEN 12/31/65	
	NO.	AMOUNT	NO.	AMOUNT	NO.	AMOUNT
ANGELES						
CLEVELAND						
ELDORADO	3	$ 1,277	3	$ 1,277	1	$ 490
INYO						
KLAMATH						
LASSEN	5	7,262	4	1,617	4	6,465
LOS PADRES						
MENDOCINO					1	1,139
MODOC						
PLUMAS	1	255	4	44,712	10	70,101
SAN BERNARDINO	1	362	1	362		
SEQUOIA	1	454	1	409	1	45
SHASTA-TRINITY	1	767	4	2,655	6	8,973
SIERRA	1	273	1	273	4	10,158
SIX RIVERS	4	255	2	321	22	62,057
STANISLAUS	3	467	2	321	1	146
TAHOE	3	3,682	2	348	14	47,817
TOTAL	23	$17,353	24	$52,295	64	$207,391

MISCELLANEOUS TRESPASS

BILLINGS AND COLLECTIONS

	BILLED		COLLECTED		OUTSTANDING	
	NO.	AMOUNT	NO.	AMOUNT	NO.	AMOUNT
OCCUPANCY	5	$1,414	3	$ 140	7	$18,151
GRAZING	6	1,141	5	1,033	5	2,802
MINERALS	2	25	1	11	1	14
PROPERTY	11	2,227	10	1,375	7	4,077
TOTAL	24	$4,807	19	$2,559	20	$25,044

CHART 12

ENFORCEMENT RECORD - STATISTICAL FIRES

FOREST	STATISTICAL FIRES	CASE ACTIONS INITIATED	CRIMINAL CASES INITIATED	CIVIL CASES INITIATED	CASES SETTLED ADMINISTRATIVELY	PERCENT OF CASES INITIATED	REGIONAL POSITION IN EFFECTIVENESS
ANGELES	39	8	(1)*	7	1	20	16
CLEVELAND	50	12	(1)*	4	8	24	12
ELDORADO	43	7	1	3	3	16	17
INYO	22	6	0	4	2	27	9
KLAMATH	42	25	1(1)*	15	9	59	1
LASSEN	30	13	0	8	5	43	4
LOS PADRES	36	11	1(2)*	9	1	30	8
MENDOCINO	26	6	0	4	2	23	13
MODOC	12	3	0	3	0	25	11
PLUMAS	54	21	(2)*	20	1	39	5
SAN BERNARDINO	80	25	1	10	14	31	7
SEQUOIA	27	6	1(1)*	3	2	22	14
SHASTA-TRINITY	122	65	2(2)*	46	17	53	2
SIERRA	42	9	2(3)*	4	3	21	15
SIX RIVERS	39	17	0	6	11	44	3
STANISLAUS	36	9	(1)*	6	3	25	10
TAHOE	45	17	(1)*	12	5	38	6
TOTAL	745	260	9(15)*	164	87	35	

* One credit only for joint criminal-civil actions.

CHART 13

LAW VIOLATIONS

FOREST	TYPES OF VIOLATIONS												
	SMOKING	BURNING PERMITS	HAZARD REDUCTION	CAMPFIRES	FIREWORKS	PROPERTY DAMAGE	PROPERTY THEFT	LITTER	SHOOTING	SPARK ARRESTERS	CLOSED AREAS	OTHER	TOTAL
ANGELES	30		6	12	2	7		1	13	10	61	10	152
CLEVELAND			7	4				3		1	4	1	20
ELDORADO		3		6		1		3				4	17
INYO						2							2
KLAMATH		1		5		5	1					2	14
LASSEN			1	2	3			3		1		1	11
LOS PADRES	5	8	63	67	2	12		4	2	12	130	14	319
MENDOCINO				1		4							5
MODOC						5							5
PLUMAS				5	3								8
SAN BERNARDINO	9		12	11				3		3	30		68
SEQUOIA		2	6	5				5		4	1	3	26
SHASTA-TRINITY		5		3				1				2	11
SIERRA	2	4	11	3	1	1		2			1	2	27
SIX RIVERS										3			3
STANISLAUS		1		7									8
TAHOE	3	4		32				4				2	45
TOTAL	49	28	106	163	11	37	1	29	15	34	227	41	741

CHART 14

PENALTIES ASSESSED

CRIMINAL CASES

FOREST	MUNICIPAL - JUDICIAL - JUVENILE COURTS							
	FINES $	FINES SUSPENDED $	JAIL TERM DAYS	JAIL TERM SUSPENDED DAYS	PROBATION GRANTED YEARS	WORK DAYS	ADMINISTRATIVE # CASES	AVERAGE $ FINE
ANGELES	$ 3,237	$ 540	398	398	9 yrs 9 mos	106	9	$23
CLEVELAND	3,305	3,083			8 yrs 6 mos		6	236
ELDORADO	935	110						55
INYO								0
KLAMATH	132	15				3	1	12
LASSEN	137						3	17
LOS PADRES	3,548	310	230	160	10 yrs 1 mo	8	18	12
MENDOCINO			10	10			4	0
MODOC							5	0
PLUMAS	156						3	31
SAN BERNARDINO	2,674	1,529	35	33	42 yrs 6 mos			39
SEQUOIA	359		5	5	4 yrs			14
SHASTA-TRINITY	344	222	5	5	1 yr		3	43
SIERRA	446	22	180	180	5 yrs		2	18
SIX RIVERS								0
STANISLAUS	511							64
TAHOE	3,359	377			2 yrs			75
TOTAL	$19,143	$6,208	863	791	82 yrs 10 mos	117	54	$28

U. S. COMMISSIONER CASES

COMMISSIONER	NO. OF CASES HANDLED	FINES ASSESSED	FINES SUSPENDED	PROBA-TION	TYPE OF CASES
HULSEY	3	$ 105			Xmas Tree
LARREGO	2	30			1 Campfire 1 Closed Area
STONE	5	175			1 Closed Area 4 Litter
VAN KAESBORG	9	90	45		Closed Area
SCHWABACHER	1	50	35		Closed Area
FULTON	36 *	$1,720	$1,030	62 Yrs	18 Closed Area 4 Open Fires 1 Shooting 5 Land & Water 4 Break & Entering 3 Intimidation 1 Property Damage

*5 Defendants found not guilty (4 Breaking and Entering, 1 Closure Case).

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CLAIMS PAID - 1965

FOREST	ACT OF 1/31/31		ACT OF 5/27/30		ACT OF 8/31/64		ACT OF 6/20/58		TORT CLAIMS		CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATION	
	PAID	DENIED	PAID	DENIED	PAID	DENIED	PAID	DENIED	PAID	DENIED	PAID	DENIED
ANGELES									(9) 1,884	(2) 148		
CLEVELAND									(2) 434	(1) 128		
ELDORADO									(5) 1,564	(3) 1,012		
INYO									(1) 324	-		
KLAMATH	(2) 3,328	(2) 2,463							(2) 744	(1) 428		
LASSEN	(1) 43	-							(1) 715	-		
LOS PADRES	(10) 2,955	(10) 5,701	-	(1) 192	(2) 80	(1) 5	(14) 400	(1) 8	(4) 920	(1) 295	(1) 252	(1) 268
MENDOCINO	(3) 947	(4) 772							(2) 146			
MODOC									(1) 449			
PLUMAS	(2) 1,124	(1) 256		(1) No Amt.			(1) 37		(6) 2,885			
SAN BERNARDINO	(2) 687	(2) 162							(2) 309		(1) 1,256	(1) 344
SEQUOIA	(1) 110								(1) 850	(1) 1,650		
SHASTA-TRINITY	(3) 76	(1) 120							(1) 87	(1) 430		
SIERRA	(5) 609	(2) 136							(1) 262	(1) 6		
SIX RIVERS	(1) 49								(5) 4,185	(2) 818		
STANISLAUS									(1) 554	(2) -		
TAHOE									(4) 1,333	(1) 25		
RO									(1) 886	(1) 664	(1) 100	-
PSW									(1) 762	(2) 1,556		
NCSC									(1) 31			
SCSC	(1) 450	(1) 187							(1) 57			
TOTAL	10,378	9,797		192	80	5	437	8	19,381	7,160	1,608	612

( ) = Number of claims.